



PROVO MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

Redevelopment Agency of Provo

Regular Meeting Minutes

5:30 PM, Tuesday, January 19, 2016

Room 200, Municipal Council Chambers

351 West Center, Provo, Utah

Opening Ceremony

Roll Call

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATION WERE PRESENT:

Council Member Kim Santiago	Council Member Vernon K. Van Buren
Council Member Gary Winterton	Council Member David Sewell
Council Member David Harding	Council Member David Knecht
Council Member George Stewart	CAO Wayne Parker
Deputy City Attorney Brian Jones	Deputy Mayor Corey Norman
Council Executive Director Matthew Taylor	

Conducting: Council Chair Kim Santiago

Invocation and Pledge – Christine Hale

Approval of Minutes – December 1, 2015 Council Meeting Minutes

Chair Santiago requested that the minutes be amended to add the word “approve” in the motion on line 355. There were no other amendments.

Motion: Council Member George Stewart moved to approve the amended minutes of December 1, 2015. The motion was seconded by Council Member Vernon K. Van Buren.

Roll Call Vote: The motion passed 7:0 with Council Members Harding, Knecht, Santiago, Sewell, Stewart, Van Buren, and Winterton in favor.

Presentations, Proclamations and Awards

Neighborhood Spotlight

Brady Curtis, Downtown Neighborhood Chair, gave a brief presentation on his neighborhood. He reported the Provo City Center Temple Open House was now underway after months of planning. The LDS church extended the open house hours from 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. – 9

p.m. because of the high demand for tickets. They were expecting around 15,000 – 20,000 per day. The downtown beautification efforts have made a big improvement in the downtown area. He had not heard of any problems or complaints from the business owners. A welcome center and gift shop, located in the Bell room on the corner of University Avenue and Center Street, will be open during the open house. Mr. Curtis indicated they had printed 25,000 restaurant guides to be handed out during the open house and he would be happy to help the city distribute the guides. He thanked the City for supporting downtown Provo.

1. A presentation by the Covey Center.

Paul Duerden, Covey Center for the Arts Manager, presented a brief video showing some of the performances and shows that would be offered at the Covey Center during the next month. They included an Air Supply concert; a jazz festival featuring a tribute to Frank Sinatra by Thurl Bailey; Snow White by the Utah Regional Ballet; and the show Cirque Ziva: Golden Dragon Acrobats.

2. A presentation of the Winter Commuter Award.

Aaron Skabelund, Provo Bicycle Committee, presented the Second Annual Golden Spoke Winter Bicycle Commuter Award to Stan Paulsen. Mr. Paulsen began riding a bike in order to lose 100 pounds before his daughter returned home from her mission. He was able to accomplish that goal. Mr. Paulsen worked at Adobe in Lehi and rode his bike to and from the FrontRunner station to work and home all year long. Many Friday's he would ride his bike all the way home from Adobe (a trip of 26 miles). During 2015 Mr. Paulsen logged almost 7,000 miles. He said that riding his bike and losing the excess weight had extended his life.

3. A review of the 2015 Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR). (16-014)

Dustin Grabau, Provo City Accountant, presented the 2015 Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) to the council. He stated this was a summary of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) that was prepared each year for the audit. The PAFR contained an overview of the Provo's financials and a high level look at each of the funds. The PAFR would be available for review on the Finance Department website and a copy of the report would be available in the Recorder's office.

Mr. Grabau stated that since the PAFR was an overview it did not go into detailed expenses and revenues for specific funds such as Mountain Vista. Many of those funds were aggregated in both the CAFR and PAFR because the budgets were so small. If anyone had any specific questions they could contact the Finance Department.

Public Comment

Pam Jones, Edgemont Neighborhood Vice-Chair, reported they had been having some problems with a resident that lived on the border of the Edgemont and Indian Hills neighborhoods. A business owner, with a heavy duty truck, was allowing the vehicle to idle in front of his home for as much as 45 minutes per day. That, along with using their wood burning stove on no burn days

was causing air quality problems in the neighborhood. One resident with asthma that lived next door to him had to be taken to the emergency room because the air quality was so bad. Ms. Jones contacted Utah County and was told to call the police if they were burning on a no burn day. Also, she was told to contact the City about their idling ordinance. She asked that the Council look into possibly tightening up the idling ordinance.

Policy Items Referred from the Planning Commission

4. A public hearing on Resolution 2016-05 amending the General Plan to include Provo Downtown Streetscape Standards in a new Appendix I (City Design Standards). City-Wide Impact. (15-0004GPA)

Austin Corry, Provo City Planner, presented. He read the following policy statement from the General Plan concerning goals for the downtown: “To design the desired urban form, with emphasis on enhancing the pedestrian scale and relationships to the planned environment through carefully articulated form and design standards.” Similar statements occur in Vision 2030 and the Downtown Master Plan. The resolution would amend the General Plan to include the proposed downtown streetscape standards to meet those goals.

These design standards would provide clear expectations for developers and define what the City would expect. In the past there had been a general standard but it had not been formally written. This document formalized those standards and also formalized what the City would build as improvements and maintenance was needed on current structures. He emphasized that the City would not be implementing these standards all at once and would not require citizens to upgrade to these standards all at once. The document would be the vision for what would occur as replacements and improvements were needed. The streetscape design standards were a collaborative effort of many departments including Community Development, Energy, Parks and Recreation, and Public Works.

Mr. Corry explained that if improvements were development driven the developer would have to bring the streetscapes up to those standards. Developers would pay for the initial improvements but maintenance would be the City’s responsibility. Some things, like shoveling the sidewalks or maintaining lawns and flower beds would still be the responsibility of the property owner. Amenities, such as power poles or street benches, would be the responsibility of the City. Center Street was excluded because it was a designated park so the City maintained all of it.

Mr. Corry said it was important to keep as many trees in the area as possible. When trees were replaced they would use a structured soil that would increase the long-term health of the trees.

The standard for raised planters, which included a seat wall for people to sit on the edge, would identify what they should look like but it was not a requirement to put them in. The standard would only be applicable if they chose to put raised planters in as seat walls.

Chair Santiago invited public comment. There was no response to the request.

Motion: Council Member David Sewell moved to approve **Resolution 2016-05** as written. The motion was seconded by Council Member David Harding.

Roll Call Vote: The motion passed 7:0 with Council Members Harding, Knecht, Santiago, Sewell, Stewart, Van Buren, and Winterton in favor.

5. A public hearing on Ordinance 2016-02 amending Provo City Code Sections 14.06.020 (Definitions) and 14.34.230 (Residential Facilities). City-Wide Impact. (15-0017OA)

Brian Maxfield, Provo City Planning Supervisor, presented. He reported the proposal was necessary in order to bring Provo City in compliance with state code. The amendments covered the following two areas.

- Recent court cases brought into question whether or not you could establish distances between residential facilities for the elderly. The first part of the amendment removed the distance requirement in our city code.
- State code has eliminated the section dealing with the definition of residential facilities for elderly persons. Provo code defines an elderly person as “a person who is sixty (60) years old or older, who desires or needs to live with other elderly persons in a group setting, but who is capable of living independently.” Our city attorneys recommended striking the phrase “but who is capable of living independently” from the ordinance.

Chair Santiago invited public comment. There was no response to the request.

Motion: Council Member George Stewart moved to approve **Ordinance 2016-02** amending Provo City Code Sections 14.06.020 (Definitions) and 14.34.230 (Residential Facilities) with city-wide impact. The motion was seconded by Council Member David Knecht.

Roll Call Vote: The motion passed 7:0 with Council Members Harding, Knecht, Santiago, Sewell, Stewart, Van Buren, and Winterton in favor.

Adjourn

Motion: Council Member Dave Sewell moved to adjourn at 6:24 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member George Stewart.

Roll Call Vote: The motion passed 7:0 with Council Members Harding, Knecht, Santiago, Sewell, Stewart, Van Buren, and Winterton in favor.